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FROM:

Assistant Legislative Counsel

SUBJECT:

Request For Policy Guidance Concerning

Testimony of CIA Sources Before Congressional

Committees

REFERENCE:

Your Memo of 3 October on This Subject

I recently discussed with Bill Miller the problem of a CIA source testifying on his own initiative before a Congressional committee. Miller acknowledges this is a very difficult problem. His feeling is this should be handled on a case by case basis and each case should be brought to the NSC for guidance and/or to the oversight committees. He is aware of the source problem but feels the potential repercussions of such testimony require the NSC and relevant oversight committees (Senate Select Committee on Intelligence for Senate testimony and House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for House testimony) to be apprised of the problem.

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